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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of: ) Confirmation No. 2561  
Shuji ICHINOSE et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2851  
Serial No. 10/827,423 ) Examiner: Rishi S. Suthar  
Filed: April 20, 2004 )  
For: FOCAL PLANE SHUTTER ) DATED: May 9, 2006

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit a Substitute Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.63, a Declaration of Shuji ICHINOSE, a Declaration of Yutaka OKAZAKI, a Declaration of Takao OGAWA pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.48 and a Consent of the Assignee in support of the Petition to Correct the Inventorship of the above-identified application previously filed on April 3, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CONSENT OF THE ASSIGNEE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Tomohiko NAKANO, do hereby declare that I am the manager of the Patent Department of Nidec Copal Corporation, the Assignee of the above-identified patent application by virtue of an Assignment recorded on Reel 015236, Frame 0018 in the Assignment Branch of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and that I hereby consent to the addition of Mr. Takao Ogawa as a co-inventor of this application, and that I have been given the authority by Nidec Copal Corporation to so consent.

Respectfully submitted,

April 13, 2006

Tomohiko Nakano



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**DECLARATION OF SHUJI ICHINOSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Shuji Ichinose, do hereby declare that

- (1) I am an inventor of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2003/0128976 A1;
- (2) I have read the averments of fact present in the attached "Petition For Correction of Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48" and that each of these statements is true, or believed to be true.
- (3) The omission of Mr. Ogawa as a co-inventor occurred as a result of mistake without deceptive intention.

I hereby further declare that I have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements in the like may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom, and that I declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

DATED: April 11, 2006

Shuji Ichinose.  
Shuji Ichinose



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**DECLARATION OF YUTAKA OKAZAKI**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Yutaka Okazaki, do hereby declare that

(1) I am an inventor of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2003/0128976 A1;

(2) I have read the averments of fact present in the attached "Petition For Correction of Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48" and that each of these statements is true, or believed to be true.

(3) The omission of Mr. Ogawa as a co-inventor occurred as a result of mistake without deceptive intention.

I hereby further declare that I have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements in the like may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom, and that I declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

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**DECLARATION OF TAKAO OGAWA**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Takao Ogawa, do hereby declare that

(1) I am an inventor of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2003/0128976 A1;

(2) That I contributed at least some of the information in paragraph [0010] of this published patent application, and that

(3) I have read the averments of fact present in the attached "Petition For Correction of Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48" and that each of these statements is true, or believed to be true.

(4) The omission of myself as a co-inventor occurred as a result of mistake without deceptive intention.

I hereby further declare that I have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements in the like may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom, and that I declare that all statements made of my own

knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

DATED: April 11, 2006

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